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SUBJECT: ACTION MEMORANDUM - RECOMMENDATIONS REGARDING
REPLACEMENTS FOR YOU IN THE STATE VISIT OF LIBERIAN
PRESIDENT TOLBERT (S/S NO.7619480)

REF: STATE 225474

FOR THE SECRETARY FROM AF-SEELYE THROUGH D-MR. ROBINSON

1. PRESIDENT TOLBERT OF LIBERIA ARRIVES IN WASHINGTON
TO BEGIN A STATE VISIT ON SEPT. 21. YOU AGREED TO
PARTICIPATE IN THE ARRIVAL CEREMONIES AT 10:30 A.M.
SEPT. 21, A SUBSTANTIVE MEETING WITH THE PRESIDENT FROM
11:00 TO 12:00 AND A STATE DINNER AT 8:00 P.M. ON SEPT. 22
PRESIDENT TOLBERT WILL GIVE A RETURN RECEPTION FOR
PRESIDENT AND MRS.FORD. ON SEPT. 24, YOU AGREED TO GIVE
A LUNCH AT THE DEPARTMENT FOR PRESIDENT AND MRS. TOLBERT,
THE LIBERIAN PARTY, AND ABOUT 140 GUESTS.

2. IN VIEW OF THE FACT THAT YOUR CURRENT SCHEDULE WOULD
NOT HAVE YOU IN WASHINGTON UNTIL SEPT. 24 WE RECOMMEND
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THAT YOU ASK DEPUTY SECRETARY ROBINSON TO REPLACE YOU, AND

MRS. ROBINSON TO REPLACE MRS. KISSINGER, AT THE EVENTS
SCHEDULED FOR SEPTEMBER 21 AND 22.

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3. WITH REGARD TO THE LUNCH YOU HAD AGREED TO GIVE FOR
THE TOLBERTS, WE BELIEVE YOU SHOULD CONSIDER THE
POSSIBILITY THAT THE VICE PRESIDENT BE ASKED TO
ACT AS HOST. SHOULD YOU WISH TO SUGGEST THIS TO THE
VICE PRESIDENT WE RECOMMEND YOU SEND THE FOLLOWING
MESSAGE: "DEAR MR. VICE PRESIDENT, I FIND THAT I SHALL
NOT BE ABLE TO RETURN FROM AFRICA IN TIME TO BE PRESENT
AT A LUNCH I WAS TO HAVE GIVEN FOR PRESIDENT AND
MRS. TOLBERT OF LIBERIA ON SEPTEMBER 24. I SHOULD BE
MOST GRATEFUL IF YOU COULD FIND IT POSSIBLE TO ACT AS
HOST AT THIS LUNCH. I KNOW PRESIDENT TOLBERT EXPRESSED
A SPECIAL WISH TO SEE YOU AND THAT HE WOULD BE MOST
PLEASED IF YOU AGREED TO DO THIS. WARM REGARDS". .

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4. ALTERNATIVELY, YOU MAY WISH TO ASK MR. ROBINSON TO
ACT AS HOST IN YOUR PLACE.

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